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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 10/567,383; § 371 Date: February 7, 2006
For: **4-Biphenyl-Substituted 4-Substituted Pyrazolidin-3,5-Diones Pesticide Agent And/Or Microbicide And/Or Herbicide**
Inventors: FISCHER *et al.*
Our Ref: 2400.0190000/JMC/VLC/CMB

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2. Form PTO/SB/08A listing thirty-one (31) cited documents (3 pages);
3. Copies of twenty-nine (29) of the thirty-one (31) cited documents (**FP1-FP29**)
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Document **FP1**, DE 2 218 097, is in the German language. An English language abstract of document FP1 is attached as document **NPL2**.

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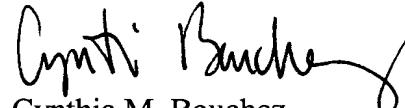
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